WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A liquid crystal display device comprising:
- a gate electrode, a gate pad and gate links on a substrate, the gate links having gate dummy patterns;
 - a gate insulating film on the gate electrode and the gate link;
 - a semiconductor layer on the gate insulating film;
- a source electrode, a drain electrode, a data pad and data links on the semiconductor layer;
 - a protective film on the source and drain electrodes and the data link; and a pixel electrode on the protective film.
- 2. The device of claim 1, wherein the gate links and the gate dummy patterns include a same height.
- 3. The device of claim 1, wherein each of the gate links includes the gate electrode, the gate insulation film, the semiconductor layer, and the protective film.
- 4. The device of claim 1, further comprising a sealant on the gate links and the data links.
- 5. The device of claim 1, further comprising data dummy patterns between the data links.
- 6. The device of claim 5, wherein the data links and the data dummy patterns include a same height.
- 7. The device of claim 5, wherein each of the data links includes the source and drain electrodes, the gate insulation film, the semiconductor layer, and the protective film.
- 8. The device of claim 1, wherein the semiconductor layer includes a doped semiconductor layer.

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9. A method of fabricating a liquid crystal display device, comprising:

forming a gate electrode, a gate pad and gate links on a substrate, the gate links having gate dummy patterns;

forming a gate insulating film on the gate electrode and the gate link;

forming a semiconductor layer on the gate insulating film;

forming a source electrode, a drain electrode, a data pad and data links on the semiconductor layer;

forming a protective film on the source and drain electrodes and the data link; and forming a pixel electrode on the protective film.

- 10. The method of claim 9, wherein the gate links and the gate dummy patterns include a same height.
- 11. The method of claim 9, wherein each of the gate links includes the gate electrode, the gate insulation film, the semiconductor layer, and the protective film.
- 12. The method of claim 9, further comprising the step of forming a sealant on the gate links and the data links.

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- 13. The method of claim 9, further comprising the step of forming data dummy patterns between the data links.
- 14. The method of claim 13, wherein the data links and the data dummy patterns include a same height.
- 15. The method of claim 13, wherein each of the data links includes the source and drain electrodes, the gate insulation film, the semiconductor layer, and the protective film.
- 16. The method of claim 9, wherein the semiconductor layer includes a doped semiconductor layer.
- 17. A method of fabricating a liquid crystal display device, comprising:

forming a gate electrode, a gate pad and gate links on a substrate, the gate links having gate dummy patterns;

forming a gate insulating film a semiconductor layer on the gate electrode and the gate link;

forming a source electrode, a drain electrode, a data pad and data links on the semiconductor layer;

forming a protective film on the source and drain electrodes and the data link; and patterning the gate insulating film, the semiconductor layer, and the protective film; and

forming a pixel electrode on the protective film.

- 18. The method of claim 17, wherein the gate links and the gate dummy patterns include a same height.
- 19. The method of claim 17, wherein each of the gate links includes the gate electrode, the gate insulation film, the semiconductor layer, and the protective film.
- 20. The method of claim 17, further comprising the step of forming a sealant on the gate links and the data links.
- 21. The method of claim 17, further comprising the step of forming data dummy patterns between the data links.

- 22. The method of claim 21, wherein the data links and the data dummy patterns include a same height.
- 23. The method of claim 21, wherein each of the data links includes the source and drain electrodes, the gate insulation film, the semiconductor layer, and the protective film.
- 24. The method of claim 17, wherein the semiconductor layer includes a doped semiconductor layer.

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